ST MARY OF NAZARETH / ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI

WEST WICKHAM

15th June 2025 TRINITY

Services over the next two weeks

Sunday 15th June 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion at Francis

9.15 a.m. Holy Communion at St. Mary's

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Sunday 22nd June 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion at St. Mary's

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Services are livestreamed on YouTube during the main services, weekly at St Mary's and whenever possible at St Francis'.

Weekly services/Prayers

Tuesday at 10am Pray for growth of the church held at 130 The

Avenue. Contact Jean Pogose on 8289 5996 for

more information.

Wednesday at 9:30am Morning Prayer at St Francis

Wednesday at 10:30am St Francis' open for **private prayer** till 11:30am

Thursday at 9am Morning prayer at St Mary's

The Collation and Induction of Rev Matt Drummond

To celebrate the arrival of our new Vicar, the Churchwardens and Parochial Church Councils of the United Benefice of St Francis of Assisi and St Mary of Nazareth invite you to attend Reverend Matt's Collation and Induction Service on Monday 7 July at 7.30pm at St Mary's. The service will be conducted by The Right Reverend Christopher Chessun, Bishop of Southwark, and The Venerable Greg Prior, Archdeacon of Croydon, and it will be followed by a reception in the hall. Please indicate your attendance by adding your name to the sign-up sheets which are available at both churches until Sunday 22 June.

We are expecting a full church for this important occasion and seek volunteers to help ensure it runs smoothly. There's space on the sign-up sheet to say If you are able to assist. Thank you.

Upcoming Events

There are various courses available in the **Discipleship and ministry summer brochure**. Coming up is a Growing Faith course with Lucy Moore 2 June, Ground floor guide to Nicene creed 3rd June, Godly Play 7 June, Guide to Galatians 9th June, Digital discipleship 11th June and much more. Interested? View the brochure link Summer 2025 for more details.

A note for your diaries, our next Lunchtime concert at St Francis will be on Thursday 19th June at 12.45 when piano graduate Yuri Inoshita will include music by Rachmaninov etc. Free admission.

Rock Choir the UK's leading contemporary award-winning choir are having a concert for Welcare. On Saturday 21st June at St Paul's Church, Brackley Road, Beckenham <u>BR</u>3 1RB from 8.00 to 9.30 p.m. Do come along and enjoy an evening of popular songs. To buy tickets go to link <u>Welcare's e-store</u>.

Dear friends

At St Mark's we are planning a special Mass on Sunday 29 June at 11.30, as an act of thanksgiving for the election of Pope Leo XIV, followed by a simple party. This has been happening in various places all over the world since his election and that weekend seemed a good time to do it. Many people from other churches here kindly came to the Requiem Mass for Pope Francis which we had in late April, which was greatly appreciated; but we wouldn't want events of this kind to be restricted to marking someone's death. Pope Leo has shown already his commitment to ecumenism in various ways - Archbishop Rowan Williams met him after the General Audience the other day.

I realise the time of the service may clash with what you do but people are welcome to come along afterwards when they can

Best wishes Ashley Beck

Joan Baker's funeral will take place on Tuesday July 1st at St Mary's Church at 1.30 pm, followed by a cremation at Beckenham Crematorium. There will be a reception in St Mary's Church Hall following the funeral service. The parking restrictions have been lifted on both the Avenue and The Drive on that day.

Please pray for the following people associated with our community

Vicky Pearce, Jane Smith, Rowena Griffiths, Daphne Dack, John Dack, Joan Burford, Pam Tabner, Barbara Goodchild, Marcia Chandler, Tim Curtis. Pauline Jackson, Brian Beadle, Sarah Challenger Francis (Gillian's daughter) John Richards and Richard Stone.

May God grant healing, wholeness and comfort to all who suffer and give strength and compassion to all who care for them.

We commend Joan Baker, who died peacefully on Thursday 29th May to the loving mercy of God and pray for her family who mourn her.

Notices

Read and download The Bridge from: southwark.anglican.org/thebridge

Rachel Rossou, from South Africa, and who worships at St Johns, is back in West Wickham again despite saying farewell last November with the intention of finally retiring. However, a series of storms has caused significant damage to her house so she is looking for work again to raise finances for essential repairs. She is looking for gardening, cleaning, house sitting, caring work, looking after the elderly, dog walking, dog/cat sitting, etc. She comes highly recommended and if you are able to offer her any work she can be reached on:

082 955 0990 (The number works on What's App too) Thank you.

Will **St. Mary's congregation** please note that as from **Sunday 1**st **Jun**e we will be re-introducing the offertory hymn and bags will be passed around.

Will members of St. Mary's who have a **Children's Society Box** please hand in to Dave or Wendy Taylor for the annual count as soon as possible. Thank you.

Bromley Food bank - Items required: Tinned Tomatoes, Tinned Cold Meats, Tinned Potatoes and Men/Ladies Deodorants. Thank you.

Foodbank Table in St Francis: Once a month, we will have a 'Foodbank donation table' at the back of the church for you to bring in your food donations for the Foodbanks that we collect for. Please look out for the next collection date which will be published in advance in the pew sheet and the food items that will be collected. If you have any questions, please contact Nicky Nightingale nicholanightingale@hotmail.co.uk

Collection for the **Bromley Homeless Starter Pack Scheme** for those starting out in a new home with nothing. Starter Packs for families in need include cutlery, crockery, duvet covers (not duvets) pillowcases, tea towels, saucepans, frying pans, bath towels, toothbrushes etc. Please continue to bring these items to St. Francis.

Flowers: If anyone would like a pedestal at either church in memory of a loved one or to commemorate a special anniversary etc., please contact Merri Womack (8777 8772) for St Mary's (or there is a list to sign in the vestibule at St. Mary's) or Nicky Nightingale nicholanightingale@hotmail.co.uk or 8916 9855) for St Francis'.

The sanctuary pedestal at St. Mary's has been donated by Audrey Tibbles for her and her mothers birthdays and arranged by Merri.

The flowers on the platform at St. Francis have been donated by Margaret Thorne in memory of her father.

Items for pew sheet to Beryl <u>berylbolton@hotmail.com</u> <u>Deadline is Thursday MIDDAY</u>

Items for St Mary's website to Gifty office@stmarywestwickham.co.uk

Items for St Francis' website to Bo bo@manusmedical.com

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Collect

Holy God, faithful and unchanging: enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth, and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love, that we may truly worship you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

First Reading: Proverbs 8: 1-4, 22-31

- 8 Does not wisdom call, and does not understanding raise her voice?
- ² On the heights, beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand;
- ³ beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries out:
- 4 'To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all that live.

The Lord created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago.

²³ Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth.
²⁴ When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water.
²⁵ Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth—
²⁶ when he had not yet made earth and fields, or the world's first bits of soil.

²⁷ When he established the heavens, I was there, when he drew a circle on the face of the deep, when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep, ²⁹ when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth, ³⁰ then I was beside him, like a master worker; and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always, ³¹ rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the human race.

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

Gospel Reading: John 16: 12-15

Jesus said -

¹² 'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³ When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴ He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵ All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

Post Communion

Almighty and eternal God, you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and live and reign in the perfect unity of love: hold us firm in this faith, that we may know you in all your ways and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory, who are three Persons yet one God, now and for ever. Amen

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